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## Hunting 1965

My father  
brought me here  
his last December  
to tell me  
of his cancer  
as we walked fields  
caught by winter—  
to learn the kick  
of shotgun  
and hear its echo  
ping dawn's sky—  
to feel my fingers  
grow stiff with cold  
and watch a pheasant  
dropped by one good shot.

-Roger Scott